

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 27 through 51 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please add Claim 52 as follows:

1 - 51. (Cancelled)

52. (New) An apparatus for reproducing information signals recorded in a plurality of recording modes each having different amounts of information of information signals to be recorded per unit time, said apparatus comprising:

    a reproduction unit configured to reproduce information signals recorded in the plurality of modes from a recording medium;

    a mode discrimination unit configured to discriminate a recording mode of the information signal reproduced by said reproduction unit;

    a tracking unit configured to control tracking between the recording medium and said reproduction unit;

    a control unit configured to control a tracking control procedure by said tracking unit in different manners in accordance with a discrimination result of said mode discrimination unit;

    a memory unit configured to store the information signal reproduced by said reproduction unit; and

a memory writing unit configured to write the information signal reproduced by said reproduction unit into said memory unit in different manners in accordance with the discrimination result of said mode discrimination unit.